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SENT VIA EMAIL DIGITAL READ RECEIPT REQUESTED

Michelle Yalung
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Re: First Notice - UIC Permit Application WY22425-12116, Brinkerhoff 3A

Dear Ms. Yalung:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 8 Underground Injection Control (UIC) Section received your application to convert the Brinkerhoff 3A well from a production well to a Class II Enhanced Oil Recovery Well on April 13, 2021. We have reviewed your permit application and determined that it is incomplete, as specified at Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (40 CFR) § 124.3(c). The permitting regulations prohibit EPA from processing an application for a UIC permit until it has met all applicable requirements. See 40 CFR § 124.3(a)(2). Specifically, the information described in the attached comments is necessary to make your application complete.

Please submit the information requested above by June 16, 2021. If you are unable to provide the information by June 16, 2021, you may withdraw your application until you have all the required information. Once you have all the required information, you may resubmit your full application at any time.

Under EPA regulations, if an applicant fails or refuses to correct deficiencies in the application, the permit may be denied. If, by June 16, 2021, we do not receive the additional information, and if you do not withdraw your application, EPA may deny your permit application. See 40 CFR § 124.3(d). Please note that, to ensure the protection of underground sources of drinking water, the Safe Drinking Water Act Section 1421 prohibits underground injection which is not authorized by rule or a permit issued by EPA or an authorized State. Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300h(b)(1)(A).

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions or comments about the above action, please contact Chris Brown at (303) 312-6669 or Brown.Christopher.T@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

DOUGLAS Digitally signed by DOUGLAS MINTER

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Douglas Minter, Chief UIC Section

Enclosure: Permit Application Completeness and Preliminary Technical Review